

**TRANSPORTATION INFRASTRUCTURE FINANCING ALTERNATIVES  
MEETING NOTES  
DECEMBER 16, 2002**

**Attendees**

Sen. Jim Horn  
Sen. Tim Sheldon  
Sen. Dan Swecker

Rep. Fred Jarrett, Co-Chair  
Rep. Mike Cooper  
Rep. Doug Ericksen  
Rep. Brian Hatfield  
Rep. Beverly Woods

**I. Introductory Remarks**

Rep. Jarrett opened the meeting by summarizing the meeting on November 12<sup>th</sup> and reviewing the agenda for this meeting.

**II. WSDOT Studies on Toll Pricing in Puget Sound**

Michael Cummings, WSDOT

- Tolling on major corridor projects is being explored-Alaskan Way Viaduct, SR 520 and I-405
- Regional Transportation Improvement District (RTID) is interested in tolling portions of SR 167, SR 99, and SR 509
- Corridor projects interact with each other which requires systems analysis of diversion impacts
- More analysis necessary to accurately predict revenue generated
- Roles of RTID, Commission, and Legislation need clarification
- Policy objectives for tolling need clarification

**III. WSDOT Recommendations for HOT Lanes in Puget Sound**

Charlie Howard, WSDOT

- Keep I-5 High Occupancy Vehicle (HOV) lanes 24/7
- Open HOV lanes on Eastside Freeways overnight daily
- Retain HOV restriction on weekend days
- Pursue High Occupancy Toll (HOT) lane/managed lane strategy on I-405 and SR 167
- Commission comment period until January 7<sup>th</sup>
- Public comment at December meeting
- Presentations to interested groups
- Data and recommendations on web site

**IV. PSRC Value Pricing Project**

Matthew Kitchen, PSRC

- Part of FHWA program that provides technical and policy support
- Awarded \$1.88 million in grant funds
- To be coordinated with corridor studies
- Part of broader effort to develop regional transportation financing capacity

**V. Study Work Plan Review**

- A revised work plan was distributed showing the accomplishments since July and the work needed to be completed by next December
- TEP will prepare a summary report on the accomplishments to date
- TIFA will give progress reports to the Senate and House Transportation Committees during the Session
- The next TIFA meeting will be held following the Session to develop an action plan including a public opinion survey and regional legislative round tables